



Tri-County Small Business Efficiency Program

Businesses and nonprofits in Lewis & Clark, Jefferson, and Broadwater Counties can participate in the Tri-County Small Business Efficiency Program. The program funds energy and water efficiency improvements to help reduce utility costs and energy consumption through an EPA Climate Showcase Communities Grant. Most NorthWestern Energy electric customers will qualify.

The Program provides up to \$1500 for improvements based on a free energy and water audit conducted through NorthWestern Energy. Participants need only contribute \$100 towards the cost.



HOW IT WORKS

Step 1: Call 800-823-5995 to schedule your free audit.

An energy and water audit will identify efficiency improvements that can help reduce operating costs and energy consumption in your organization. Some measures—such as compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) and water heater blankets—may be installed at no cost as part of the audit.

Step 2: Review the audit report.

The audit report will include current energy uses and costs, a list of energy and water measures installed during the audit, recommendations for additional improvements, as well as estimated upgrade costs—including payback periods. Qualifying rebates and incentives will also be outlined.

Step 3: Install desired efficiency improvements.

Select a contractor and perform any (or all) of the recommended energy & water efficiency upgrades.

Step 4: Submit your invoice.

Provide Lewis & Clark County with the contractor's invoice, along with estimated rebates from NorthWestern Energy, and the County will pay up to \$1500 of the remaining amount minus a \$100 co-pay. Please provide the County with documentation of all upgrades performed.

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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